

APPENDIX 1. ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

This appendix contains acronyms and abbreviations for both old as well as new General Aviation terms that are used throughout this handbook. Inspectors can refer to the following alphabetical listing of frequently used acronyms and abbreviations and their meanings when using this handbook.

14 CFR	Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations	CAN	Center Area NOTAM
49 U.S.C.	Title 49 of the United States Code	CAR	Civil Air Regulations
A/FD	Airport/Facility Directory	CASFO	Civil Aviation Security Field Office
AC	advisory circular	CE	commercial pilot examiner
ACCSS	air carrier cabin safety specialists	CFI	certificated flight instructor
ACE	aerobatic competency evaluator	CHDO	certificate holding district office
ACO	Aircraft Certification Office	CIRE	commercial and instrument rating examiner
ACR	airman certification representative	CMO	Certificate Management Office
AD	Airworthiness Directive	CPL	commercial pilot license
ADF	automatic direction finding	CPM	certification project manager
AFSS	automated flight service station	CRW	canopy relative work
AFTN	aeronautical fix telecommunication	DH	decision height
AH	alert height	CTA	control areas
AGL	above ground level	DME	distance measuring equipment
AIDS	Accident Incident Data Subsystem	DOD	Department of Defense
AIP	Aeronautical Information Publication	DPE	designated pilot examiner
AOPA	Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association	EAA	Experimental Aircraft Association
ARFF	Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Equipment	EAE	experimental aircraft examiner
ASI	aviation safety inspector	EIR	Enforcement Investigation Report
AST	aviation safety technician	EIS	Enforcement Information Subsystem
ATC	air traffic control	FAA	Federal Aviation Administration
ATD	aviation training device	FCC	Federal Communications Commission
ATP	airline transport pilot	FD	flight director
ATPE	airline transport pilot examiner	FDC	flight data center
BFA	Balloon Federation of America	FIE	flight instructor examiner

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FIR	flight information regions	ILS	instrument landing system
FIRC	flight instructor refresher clinic	IMC	instrument meteorological conditions
FITS	FAA/Industry Training Standards	INS	inertial navigation system
FL	flight level	IRA	Instrument Rating Airplane
FM	flight manual	IRS	inertial reference systems
FMCS	flight management computer systems	ISIS	Integrated Safety Information Subsystem
FMS	flight management system	ISS	inertial sensor system
FOI	fundamentals of instructing	JAR	Joint Airworthiness Requirements
FSAS	Flight Standards Automation System	JTA	Job Task Analysis
FSB	Flight Safety Board	LAHSO	land-and-hold-short operations
FSDO	Flight Standards district office	LOA	letter of authorization
FSS	flight service station	LORAN	long-range navigation
FTD	flight training device	LRN	long-range navigation
GA	general aviation	LRNS	long-range navigation system
GPS	global positioning system	MC/FPE	military competency/foreign pilot examiner
GSGC	Ground School Graduation Certificate	MEL	minimum equipment list
GTD	ground training device	MLS	microwave landing system
HAZMAT	hazardous material	MNPS	Minimum Navigation Performance Specification
HF	high frequency	MSL	mean sea level
HUD	heads-up display	NAS	National Airspace System
IACRA	Integrated Airmen Certification and/or Rating Application	NAT	North Atlantic
IAP	instrument approach procedures	navaid	navigational aid
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization	NDB	nondirectional beacon
ICAS	International Council of Air Shows	NDFEER	National Designated Flight Engineer Examiner
IFO	International Field Office	NDPER	National Designated Pilot Examiner Registry
IFP	Instrument Foreign Pilot	NEB	National Examiner Board
IFR	instrument flight rules	NFDC	National Flight Data Center
IGA	international general aviation	NM	nautical miles
IIC	inspector-in-charge	NOTAM	Notice to Airmen

NTSB	National Transportation Safety Board	SPG	Special Planning Group
OCA	oceanic control areas	STC	supplemental type certificate
OJT	on-the-job training	TAF	terminal weather forecasts
PAI	principal avionics inspector	TC	type certification
PCA	primary category aircraft	TCDS	type certificate data sheet
PCATD	personal computer-based aviation training device	TCE	training center evaluator
PE	private pilot examiner	TCO	training course outline
PIC	pilot-in-command	TFR	temporary flight restrictions
POI	principal operations inspector	TSA	Transport Security Administration
PPE	proficiency pilot examiner	TSO	technical standard order
PPM	PTRS Procedures Manual	USNOF	United States NOTAM Office
PTRS	Program Tracking and Reporting Subsystem	USPA	United States Parachute Association
PTS	practical test standards	VFR	visual flight rules
RAIM	receiver autonomous integrity monitoring	VHF	very high frequency
RVR	runway visual range	VIS	Vital Information Subsystem
RVSM	Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum	VLF	very low frequency
SA	selective availability	V_{MC}	minimum controllable airspeed
SAE	specialty aircraft examiner	VMC	visual meteorological conditions
SFAR	Special Federal Aviation Regulations	V_{NE}	never-exceed speed
SIC	second-in-command	VOR	VHF omni-directional radio range
SODA	Statement of Demonstrated Ability	V_{REF}	approach speed
SOIR	simultaneous operations on intersecting runways (replaced by LAHSO)	WINGS	FAA's Pilot Proficiency Awards Program (FAA)

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